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SUBJECT : Aerial Photograph of Gissar Airfield NO : PIC/B-1002/60  
LOCATION: 5.5 nm SW of Stalinabad, USSR DATE: 12 May 1960  
COORDS : 38°30'N - 68°40'E WAC : 336

REFERENCES:

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A 35 mm Kodachrome transparency, taken during an Aeroflot flight on 27 August 1959, indicates that Gissar Airfield [REDACTED] is operational. The oblique exposure was taken looking south toward the airfield, and covers approximately three-fourths of the western portion of the field.

At least 15 probable fighter-type aircraft are parked in-line on a parking apron which parallels the runway. Barracks and an explosives storage area are also visible on the transparency.

Airfields and Seaplane Stations of the World reports that the field was under construction in 1956, and that FAGOT-type aircraft were observed at the field in 1958.

A black and white negative of the Kodachrome transparency (Frame 5) is on file in CIA Graphics Register.

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